

# *Johnson County Soil & Water Conservation District*

## *Office Hours*

*Monday - Thursday 7:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.*

*Friday 7:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.*

## **Annual Meeting Held**

The Johnson County Soil & Water Conservation District held its 67th Annual Meeting on Tuesday, February 21, 2012 at the Holden Hallar Building. Prior to the opening of the meeting, the Holden High School Jazz Band, directed by Jon West, performed for the audience, as they arrived and were seated. Tom Haun, Chairman of the Board of Supervisors, began the meeting by introducing the staff of the USDA Service Center. Mrs. Celia Davidson, Holden FFA Advisor, gave the invocation. Dinner was served buffet style by the Holden FFA Chapter, catered by Tiger Jack's.

Kyle Meyer, FSA, gave an overview of his agency's programs and upcoming sign-up's and deadlines. Diane Bradley-Redden, NRCS, summarized the past year's event of the Soil & Water Conservation District.



Kent Shannon

Where We Are Going. Kent's presentation focused on GPS innovations for Row Crop & Livestock farming.

Area vendors set up booths and donated door prizes which was a new addition to the meeting this year. Winning prizes were Joe Hanna receiving a travel mug and hat donated by the Holden Animal Clinic; Tom Craig won a DeWalt

The meeting showcased speaker, Kent Shannon of Boone County University of Missouri Extension Office. Kent spoke of Modern Technology in Agriculture—Where We've

Tool Bag donated by Orscheln Farm and Home; Virginia Toole received two soybean candles from Heartland Farm & Lawn. Les Hamlin won a \$25 gift certificate from Heiman Home Farm & Lumber; Donna Eppright won two hats from MDC; Lucille Jennings won a goat roast from the West Central Goat Association; Wendi Conrad won a 100 pound bag of cattle charger donated by MFA; Harold Young won two hats from Johnson County Cattlemen's Association and Bill Eppright won a walk-behind trimmer donated by Swisher Mower and Machine Co. Inc.

This year's meeting was organized as a joint effort with the University of Missouri Extension office as well as area agriculture leaders. Planning committee members were Patrick Davis, Angie Leonard, Kyle Meyer, Robert Cox, Lonnie Blum and Darles White.

## **Supervisor Election In Review**

On February 21, 2012, the Johnson County Soil & Water Conservation District held Supervisor elections for Areas 1 & 3. Each Supervisor is elected for a term of 4 years, with elections being held every 2 years, alternating Areas from which Supervisors are elected.

Tom Haun, from Area 1, ran unopposed while Dwight Parrott, newly appointed Supervisor from Area 3 shared the ballot with Bill Eppright and Darrin Trobough. Votes cast resulted in a change for the Area 3 Supervisor position. Darrin Trobough will begin

his 4 year term with the Johnson County Board immediately. Congratulations to Darrin and our thanks go out to Dwight, who willingly stepped in when Johnson County was in need of a temporary Supervisor.

## **Grazing Schools**

### **Johnson County Grazing School**

The NRCS staff in Johnson & Cass Counties will be hosting a Grazing School on April 17 & 18. Please call James Watterson at (660) 747-8400 or Paul King at (816) 884-3391 for more information. Please scroll down to bottom of newsletter for agenda and registration form.

### **Archie Grazing School**

An Advanced Grazing School will be held in Archie, MO on June 19th and 20th. Contact James at (660) 747-8400 or Paul at (816) 884-3391 for more information.

### **Jefferson City Grazing School**

Lincoln University is hosting a Small Ruminant Grazing Conference June 14-16 at the Carver Farm in Jefferson City. Keynote Speaker will be Mr. Greg Judy of Green Pasture Farms. The cost to attend will be \$175 per person or \$250 per couple. For more information, please contact Amy Bax at Lincoln University at (573) 681-6190.



## **Pond Management Workshop**

The Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC) has scheduled a free pond management workshop for Thursday, April 12th, 2012 from 5:30 to 8:00 PM. The workshop will be held at the Trails Regional Library in Warrensburg, 432 North Holden Street.

The workshop will cover all aspects of pond management such as fish stocking, fish management, vegetation control, and many common pond problems. The free workshop is designed for anyone building a new pond or seeking advice for managing an existing pond.

For more information,  
call 660-747-8200 ext. 117.  
Please scroll down to bottom of  
newsletter for more information.

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## **Rental Equipment**

### ***Big Bale Mulcher***

#### **Landowner Use:**

\$150 per day

#### **Commercial Use:**

\$250 per day

A deposit is required for all rentals. Please call 660.747.8400 Ext. 3 to reserve the mulcher for your next project.



### **Board of Supervisors**

Tom Haun, Chairman  
Steve Ring, Vice Chairman  
Bill Hoy, Treasurer  
Darrin Trobough, Member  
Patrick Davis, Secretary

### **District Employees**

Dwight Loyd, District Technician  
Email: [dwight.loyd@swcd.mo.gov](mailto:dwight.loyd@swcd.mo.gov)  
Angie Leonard, District Manager  
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# **Cass County Basic Grazing School**

## **April 17th & 18th 2012**

### **Holden, MO**

#### **Day 1: Tuesday, April 17th**

8:30-9:00 Registration

Introduction to Management Intensive Grazing

Plant Growth & Forage Quality

Soil Fertility

Economics of MIG

Pasture Weed Management and

Stockpile Grazing

Focus on Forage Quality, Livestock Nutrition on Pasture

Resource Evaluation

Things to remember...

Lunch is provided both days

Field visits on second day so dress accordingly

#### **Day 2: Wednesday, April 18th**

Fence and Water Tech

Layout and Design of Grazing System & Livestock Fencing

Tying it all up, Cost Share and Record Keeping

Travel to Craig and Mary Adkins farm, Chilhowee Mo

Approx. 300 ac Cow Calf operation north of Chilhowee. Their farm is made up of mostly cool season grass with approx. 40 acres of Warm Season Grass.

Farm Tour Topics

Plant Growth & Forage Quality

Matching Forage Quality to the Animal

Tying it all together

#### **School Location:**

**The Haller Community Building**

**101 West 3rd Street Holden, MO 64040**

**816-732-4811**

#### **Presenters include:**

**Doug Peterson** - NRCS State Grassland Conservationist

**Patrick Davis** -MU Extension Livestock Specialist

**Al Decker** -MU Extension - Livestock Specialist

**Travis Harper** - MU Extension, Forage Specialist

**Whitney Wiegel**-MU Agricultural Business Specialist

**Cass County 2012 GS  
REGISTRATION FORM**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City:** \_\_\_\_\_

**State:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

Pre Paid  
(Before April 11st)  
\$60 each or \$80 per couple

After 4/11 & At Door:  
\$70 each or \$90 per couple

**Please enclose Registration Form  
along with check payable to:**

**Cass County SWCD**

**Please return to:**

**Cass County Service Center**

**1000 W Wall Street**

**Harrisonville, MO 64701**

**The Hallar Building is located in Holden**

In between S. Olive St and S. Market St in Holden.

FROM 131 SOUTH: Continue north through town to 3rd street and turn right. Building will be 1 block east on your right

From 58 WEST: After coming into Holden go to the first Stop sign and turn right go 1 block south to 3rd street and turn left go 1 block and building will be on your right.

FROM 58 EAST: Continue through town to 3rd street. Turn Left and go 2 blocks

# ***Pond Management Workshop***

The Missouri Department of Conservation will offer a free workshop that will cover all aspects of pond management.

**When:** Thursday, April 12<sup>th</sup>, 2012. 5:30 – 8:00 PM

**Where:** Warrensburg - Trails Regional Library  
432 N. Holden Street

**Topics will include:**

**Fish stocking**

**Fish management**

**Vegetation management**

**Common pond problems**

**Call Steve Hoel at 660-747-8200 ext 117 for more info.**

